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1. DRAWING ON FIRST REFTEL, I BRIEFED VAN WELL THIS MORNING ON AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD'S CONVERSATION WITH MAKARIOS. VAN WELL COMMENTED THAT THIS REPORT WAS NOT ENCOURAGING BUT PERHAPS CONTAINED CERTAIN POSITIVE ELEMENTS: (A) MAKARIOS SEEMED TO BE MOVING TOWARDS A REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF THE LIMITS OF TURKISH FLEXIBILITY, AND (B) HE ALSO SEEMED TO BE PREPARED FOR A MORE FORMAL TYPE OF MEDIATORY EFFORT BY THE US AND THE EC-NINE SHOULD THAT EVER BECOME DESIRABLE. TIME APPEARED TO BE OF THE ESSENCE IN GETTING NEGOTIATIONS STARTED, SINCE THE UNGA DEBATE COULD LEAD TO A HARDENING OF THE TURKISH POSITION.

2. NOTING THAT THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER WAS IN ANKARA TODAY, VAN WELL SAID SAUVAGNARGUES HAD AGREED WITH THE GERMAN REQUEST THAT THE IDEA OF AN INTERMEDIARY WAS ZONE NOT TO BE BROACHED AT THIS POINT WITH THE TURKS. VAN WELL ALSO NOTED THAT THE GERMANS HAVE TOLD CAGLAYANGIL THAT GENSCHER HAS INFORMED THE BRITISH AND FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTERS, AS WELL AS THE SECRETARY

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OF STATE, OF GERMAN EFFORTS TO GET NEGOTIATIONS GOING.

3. THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS AS YET RECEIVED NO RESPONSE FROM THE GREEKS TO FRG AMBASSADOR'S APPROACH TO KARAMANLIS.
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